
Federal Communications Commission

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Comcast of Eastern Shore, Inc.)	File No. EB-11-SD-0163
Physical System ID No. 004338)	
Community Unit ID No. NM0017)	
Santa Fe, NM)	NOV No. V201132940014

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Released: September 22, 2011

By the District Director, San Diego Office, Western Region, Enforcement Bureau:

1. This is a Notice of Violation ("Notice") issued pursuant to Section 1.89 of the Commission's Rules,¹ to Comcast of Eastern Shore, Inc.. ("Comcast"), operator of a cable system in Santa Fe, New Mexico. This Notice may be combined with a further action, if further action is warranted.²

2. On August 17 2011, an agent of the Enforcement Bureau's San Diego Office inspected the Comcast main facility located at Santa Fe, New Mexico, and observed the following violation:

47 C.F.R. § 11.61(a)(2)(i)(B): "Required Weekly Tests of the EAS header codes and EOM codes: Attention Signal, Test Script and EOM code...must conduct tests of the EAS Header and EOM Codes at least once a week at random days and times on all programmed channels." At the time of the inspection, the agent observed that Comcast failed to transmit the audio tone and the video portion of the required weekly tests on all the channels.

3. As the nation's emergency warning system, the Emergency Alert System is critical to public safety, and we recognize the vital role that broadcasters play in ensuring its success. The Commission takes seriously any violations of the Rules implementing the EAS and expects full compliance from its regulatees. Pursuant to Section 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,³ and Section 1.89 of the Commission's Rules, we seek additional information concerning the violations and any remedial actions the station may have taken. Therefore, Comcast must submit a written statement concerning this matter within twenty (20) days of release of this Notice.

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.89.

² 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(a).

³ 47 U.S.C. § 403.

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The response (i) must fully explain each violation, including all relevant surrounding facts and circumstances, (ii) must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to correct each violation and preclude recurrence, and (iii) must include a time line for completion of any pending corrective action(s). The response must be complete in itself and must not be abbreviated by reference to other communications or answers to other notices.⁴

4. In accordance with Section 1.16 of the Commission's Rules, we direct Comcast to support its response to this Notice with an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by an authorized officer of Comcast, with personal knowledge of the representations provided in Comcast's response, verifying the truth and accuracy of the information therein,⁵ and confirming that all of the information requested by this Notice which is in the licensee's possession, custody, control, or knowledge has been produced. To knowingly and willfully make any false statement or conceal any material fact in reply to this Notice is punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the U.S. Code.⁶

5. All replies and documentation sent in response to this Notice should be marked with the File No. and NOV No. specified above, and mailed to the following address:

Federal Communications Commission
San Diego Office
4542 Ruffner Street, Suite 370
San Diego, CA 92111

6. This Notice shall be sent to the Comcast of Eastern Shore, Inc., at its address of record.

⁴47 C.F.R. § 1.89(c).

⁵Section 1.16 of the Commission's Rules provides that "[a]ny document to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission and which is required by any law, rule or other regulation of the United States to be supported, evidenced, established or proved by a written sworn declaration, verification, certificate, statement, oath or affidavit by the person making the same, may be supported, evidenced, established or proved by the unsworn declaration, certification, verification, or statement in writing of such person Such declaration shall be subscribed by the declarant as true under penalty of perjury, and dated, in substantially the following form . . . : 'I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)'." 47 C.F.R. § 1.16.

⁶18 U.S.C. § 1001 *et seq.* See also 47 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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7. The Privacy Act of 1974⁷ requires that we advise you that the Commission will use all relevant material information before it, including any information disclosed in your reply, to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure compliance.

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⁷ P.L. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3).